



## CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

POLICE DEPARTMENT  
HEADQUARTERS, FRANKLIN SQUARE  
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RICHARD J. ROSS, JR.  
Commissioner

July 18, 2019

Ms. Ava Sasani  
75235-49452701@requests.muckrock.com

RE: Your Request for Information

Dear Ms. Sasani ,

Your request for information dated 06-11-19 was received by this office on 07-11-19 for:

1. See attached

After processing your informal request, the Philadelphia Police Department responds as follows:

Your request is *denied* as set forth below.

Your request is denied pursuant to **Section 705 of the Right-to-Know Act, in which when responding to a request for access, an agency shall not be required to create a record which does not currently exist or to compile, maintain, format, or organize a record in a manner in which the agency does not currently compile, maintain, format or organize the record. The department does not compile or maintain a record people arrested at LGBTQ events. Cf. Jenkins vs. Pennsylvania Department of State, Docket No. AP 2009-0065 (OOR April 2, 2009).**

Furthermore your request for police reports is *denied [in whole]* pursuant to Section 708(b)(16) et seq. and Section 708(b)(17) et seq. of the RTKA. The requested information pertains to a record of an agency that may be related to a criminal investigation. The investigation may also be related to a non-criminal investigation. The Right-to-Know Law **clearly** exempts all records consistent with a criminal or non-criminal investigation, whether ongoing or closed, from disclosure (65 P.S. § 67.708(b)(16) et seq.) & (65 P.S. § 67.708(b)(17) et seq.).

**AVA SASANI**

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This response will serve to close this particular request for information with our office as permitted by law. Thank you for contacting the Philadelphia Police Department's Open Records Office.

**FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONER**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lt. Barry Jacobs #97". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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